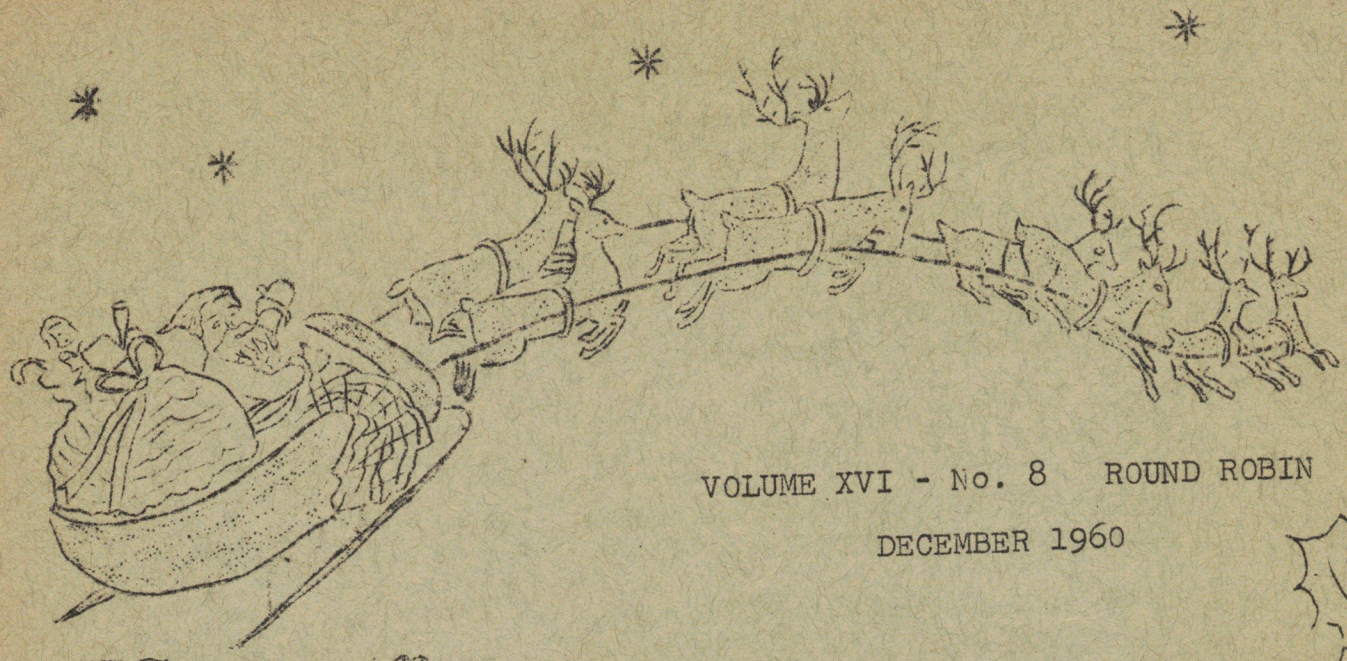

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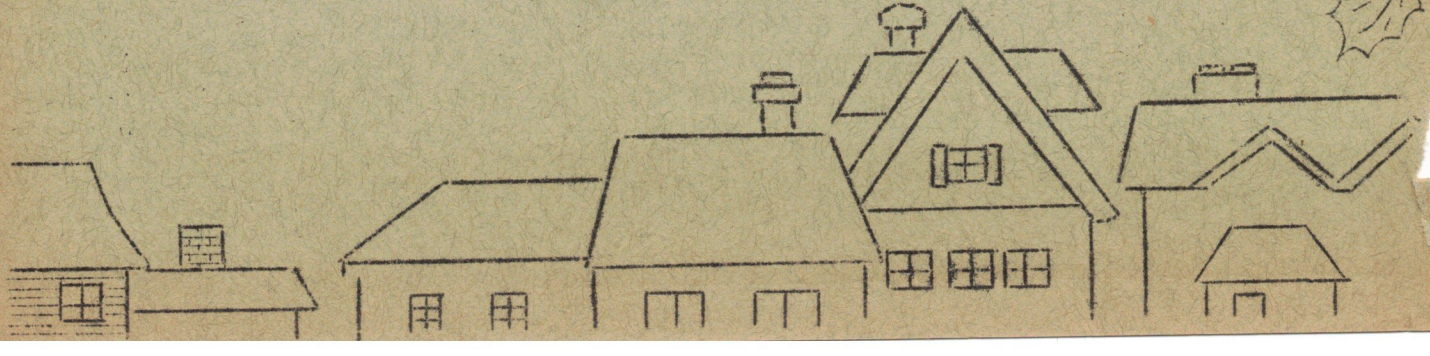

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THE DEEPER MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

The Winter Solstice in the Western Mystery Tradition

By Judith and Riley Crabb

Christmas comes at a time, close to the shortest day of the year, which the astronomers call the Winter Solstice. Most of the great religions seem to have festivals timed to coincide with planetary cycles represented by the Winter Solstice, the Spring Equinox, the Summer Solstice, and the Autumnal Equinox.

The celebration of the Winter Solstice in the Western Mystery Tradition can be easily traced back to Egypt, the true source of all Spiritual inspiration and guidance for the West. The birth of the Egyptian savior, Osiris, was celebrated in mid-winter. Later, in Roman times, the Saturnalia was celebrated around December 17th of each year. According to our calendar the cycle of the shortening days ends on December 21st, and at that time the Sun is closest to the earth.

This close approach of the Sun to our planet has a deeper meaning in the birth of the Christ-child than is given in the orthodox church. At this time we can and should realize a closer approach of our Higher Self to our personality. This actually means an added force in our lives at this time of the year, Christmas.

When we speak of our Higher Self we are speaking of an archetype. There are over all things, all peoples, and all matters these high principles called archetypes. Each archetype is actually a great force destined to do certain work. Each must be considered as working in two different ways. First, the archetype works through the symbol of its power. Second, the force emanating from the archetype surrounds certain personalities on earth. These personalities have qualified themselves as channels to bring the archetypal force, really Solar force, into the physical world. To properly understand the Christmas story you must recognize both aspects of the archetypal idea which stands behind or above it.

THE TWO CHRISTMAS ARCHETYPES

Furthermore, it must be kept in mind that the birth of the Christ child is a manifestation of two great Archetypes because two very distinct personalities are involved. One is the birth of Jesus, the other is his mother, Mary. The Archetype which overshadowed Mary is very powerful, though less well known to Protestant Christians.

In order to fully grasp the deeper meaning of Christmas one must realize the Christ-symbol is an archetypal idea which has overshadowed every Savior who came to every race and nation on the planet. Though the ministry in Judea 2,000 years ago was the last and greatest mani-

festation of this male Cosmic force. For the same reason it must be realized that the Mother-force which manifested through Mary in Judea had also manifested countless times before in the births of previous Saviors. These two great Archetypes of the Mother and the Child are the two Great Symbols of Christmas.

MARY AN ASCENDED MASTER

The Roman Catholic Church has given more recognition to Mary in the Christmas story than have the Protestant churches. Also there is a hint in Roman dogma that Mary long ago became what we call an ascended Master. It is interesting to note that She often appears to peasants or people of little education in Catholic countries. This means that the Great Archetype, the World-Mother, has personalized in that area for some particular reason. The many thought-form of Mary created by Catholic worshippers furnish astral vehicles through which the Great Force could manifest to an available medium.

These visions seem to occur only in Catholic countries because only they worship Mary directly. The Archetype can only manifest through minds open to its influence. In Protestant countries the Mother of Christ is a small, rather sad, semi-historical figure. The full significance of Christmas will come to you only if you recognize the importance of Mary in the Manger scene. The positive male force of the Christ must be balanced by the negative female force of Mary.

THE CAVE OF THE NATIVITY

Now let us consider the details of the Manger scene. These details you must understand thoroughly if you are going to create a true picture of Christmas in your mind. Most of the Christmas legends have placed the Manger in a cave. The Bible story located the cave in Bethlehem, but the Mystery Teachings place the Cave of the Nativity at the center of the earth. This cave is made of the substance of the Earth-Mother, a great Planetary Being. This cave should be visualized as being dark and warm, but with one end open to the night sky. There of course blazes the Star of the East. This Star of the new era is always seen at the birth of Christ. In this cave you see and feel the elemental forces of the earth -- the non-human forces of Earth, Air, Water and Fire.

In the traditional Christmas story the elemental forces are represented by the animals in the Manger, and the birds and creeping things. Now we are ready to add the figures of the Mother and the Infant. As you watch the figures you see the silver cord stretching from each one up, up and up into the heights beyond your sight. This silver cord glows as the clear white Light descends along it to form around the Infant in great circles or globes of Light. This is the reservoir of Divine Energy the Christ-Child will use during the years of his growing to early manhood, but the greater part will be reserved until those all-important three years of His ministry. Then that Cosmic Christ-force comes through the personality, Jesus. As an adult this force entirely surrounds him.

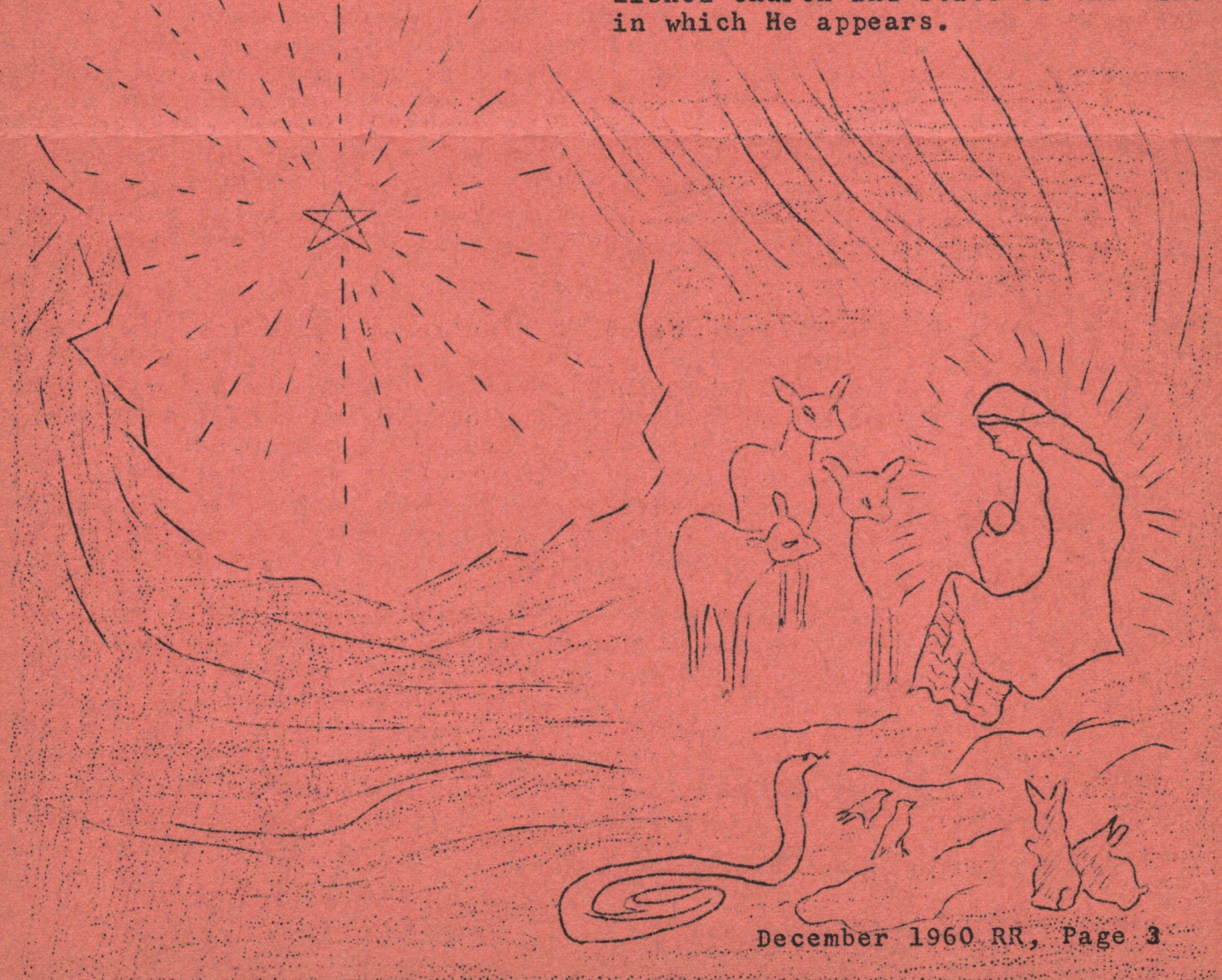
The Great Force which surrounds Mary as she sits there by the In-

fant is different. It takes form more quickly than the Christ force because it is not quite so great. The archetype which overshadows Mary is the great, all-feminine principle of the universe, the Cosmic Mother. In its highest aspect it brings through a tremendous spiritualisation of all forms. The Great Mother makes form and yet is beyond form. This is the Woman that is part of God, the negative part which balances the positive. The colors of this great archetypal force are white and blue. These should be visualized as descending on Mary in the cave.

ETERNAL FEMININE

In Egype ages ago a part of the Cosmic Mother descended on Mais, the mother of Hermes. Another difference between this feminine force and the Christ force is that it will not be entirely incorporated in Mary until long after her physical form is dead, but the Great Mother starts building a home for Herself in the Mary-personality at the birth of the Christ child.

Another example of the great feminine principle manifesting on the physical plane is in the great and terrible form known as Kali, in India. Kali is both holy and terrible. You must remember that when a mother brings a Redeemer into the world one aspect of the forces she releases is that of destruction. The Christ is a reformer. He is a radical with new ideas which promise eventual destruction to the established church and state of the time in which He appears.



The Christ always makes a physical manifestation at the end of one epoch to extablish the spiritual principles for the New Age. These radical ideas are never well received by the vested interests of the old era; nevertheless they must give way to the progress symbolized by the birth of the Christ child; hence the destructive aspect of the Cosmic Love manifesting through Mary. When one witnesses the downfall of of a mighty civilization such as ancient Rome, one realises that Love is not always a gentle thing; it can also be a terrible thing. A Wise Man has said, "If you look at it properly, the other two aspects of the Cosmic Trinity, Power and Wisdom, are gentler than Love; and that is the real Cosmic truth, my children."

Of all American presidents Abraham Lincoln is the most beloved; and he is most highly honored for his love of the people; yet his administration usehered in the most destruction this nation has ever known. The historical act which freed the Negroes dealt a death blow to the vested interest of slavery.

SUN-FATHER AND EARTH-MOTHER

Now let us return to the two Archetypal forces in the cave at the center of the earth. One of the reasons these forces build up at the time of the Winter Solstice in the Northern Hemisphere is because the Sun is nearest the earth, and naturally nearest to man. The Christ force is a Sun force. For this Cosmic Christ force to manifest on the earth It has to use the material of the earth and the nourishing substance of a woman. It must be remembered that the physical materials of any human body are drawn from the earth, and the earth is the body of a great planetary being. Therefore at the birth of the Christ child both the Great Mother of the universe and the Planetary Being of the earth are involved. Just by our visualizing this great event, we can help the Planetary Being to understand better what is going on within Him even though He may not grasp the Christmas story in the same way we do.

The deepest significance of the Christmas story to a student of metaphysics is that the birth of the Christ child is really a re-birth signifying initiation. The midnight sun, the winter sun starting its turning northward on December 23rd is the dawning of a higher consciousness in a human being. Another deep aspect of the Christmas story is the song of the angels which brought a message to men of goodwill. It is only men of goodwill who are ready for the Path of Initiation. They are willing to consider Spiritual matters; they are willing to study the Mystery teachings; and they are willing to help other men.

There is a promise in the Christmas story for mankind. There is also a promise to the creatures and elemental forces in the caves. This promise to the elementals is not fulfilled until the Christ child grows up, experiences the trials and death of the Crucifixion, and is resurrected. Then He goes out into the elemental world giving blessings and fulfilling the promise first given at the birth in the cave. This is the higher interpretation of the Christmas story, but each person should try to get his own understanding of it by visualizing the scene in the cave as clearly as possible. You should try to bring

about the birth of the Christ force in your own heart, and to see this force in everything, including the lower forms of life around you, the elemental forces in earth, air, fire and water, reptiles, fishes, birds and beasts. Every uplifting thought and feeling directed toward the lower creatures lifts them a little along the path of evolution.

But how much more of this Christ force is given to man? And how does he use it? It is meant to be used, in all our actions. Even the smallest and most trivial should be blessed with the realisation of this ever-present Cosmic energy, not only at Christmas time, not only in church on Sundays, but on weekdays and in our daily work if it is to be of real use. Remember that the Christ force touches the essential Spirit of men and also the innermost part of other beings not of the human kingdom. And when your understanding brings this Cosmic force through to the physical and accelerates the higher development of all life you are a disciple of Christ.

The central idea, then, behind the Christmas story is that the Christ is the fullness of life for any being when it is in touch with the highest within itself, regardless of how little or much that highest might be.

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A FURTHER NOTE ON MARY, given to Geoffrey Hodson by his Angel Teacher:

"The Building Angels guide growth in every world, and, shaping it according to the law, seek ever to improve, to perfect and inspire. Each immortal spark which finds birth in worlds of thought, of feeling and of flesh, and, growing, becomes man, owes all its vehicles or bodies to the angel builders; so also do every gem, every plant, every animal, every globe and every universe. They stand in graded orders, these builders, each laboring at his own height, the lesser ones building gems, the greater ones worlds; there are some who build the outer forms of angels and of men.

"It is lack of recognition of their place and aid that has made childbirth in later times a period of agony or death. When men invoke their aid, they will teach the human race how to bring forth their kind with joy; they will see that the great sacrifice is no longer marred by fear and cries of agony and woe.

"These angels who build men have, as their Queen, a Holy One, who won freedom from the burden of the flesh and, ascending, joined the Angel Hosts. She labors ever for the cause of human motherhood, and even now is bending all Her mighty strength and calling all Her Angel Court to labor for the upliftment of womanhood throughout the world. Through Her angel messengers, She Herself is present at every human birth, unseen and unknown, it is true, but if men would but open their eyes She would be revealed. She sends this message through the Brotherhood to men:

"'In the Name of Him who long ago I bore, I come to your aid. I have taken every woman into my heart, to hold there a part of her that

through it I may help her in her time of need.

'Uplift the women of your race till all are seen as queens, and to such queens let every man be as a king, that each may honor each, seeing the other's royalty. Let every home, however small, become a court, every son a knight, every child a page. Let all treat all with chivalry, honoring in each their royal parentage, their kingly birth; for there is royal blood in every man; all are children of the King.'"

(From Chapter One, The Brotherhood of Angels and of Men, by Geoffrey Hodson, Theosophical Press, Wheaton, Illinois.)

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APOLLO TO MARPESSA

"Thou art the chosen of the God,
Full blessed above thy mortal kind,
And I that Grace whose feet have trod
The singing portals of the wind
And pathways of the Sun -- The Moon
Casts down her argent diadem,
Forsakes her starry bowers too soon,
And hides her face from Gods and men
And yields her place and trembles when
Forth from my cloudy palaces
I pour my splendor on the seas,
Blow out the stars like tapers tall
And shake red planets to their fall.

"And I am he whose lyre delights
The concourse of the Gods above,
And oft in hushed Olympian nights
Throbs like the heart of life and love;
Burns like the blood of the heavenly must
Till the Gods lean down from their ivory thrones
Their pallid faces gleam in the dusk
And the subtle sweep of the lyre intones
Deathless passion and long desire,
And their hearts grow faint with the fadeless fire
Of love immortal that knows not dearth.
And first my song, to the sons of earth
Stirred in the dawn to trembling strings,
And life and light my presence brings
Like dews from fiery firmament
Strewn on the world from healing wings. . . "

Meade Layne

(From his "Book of Verses", San Diego, 1947)

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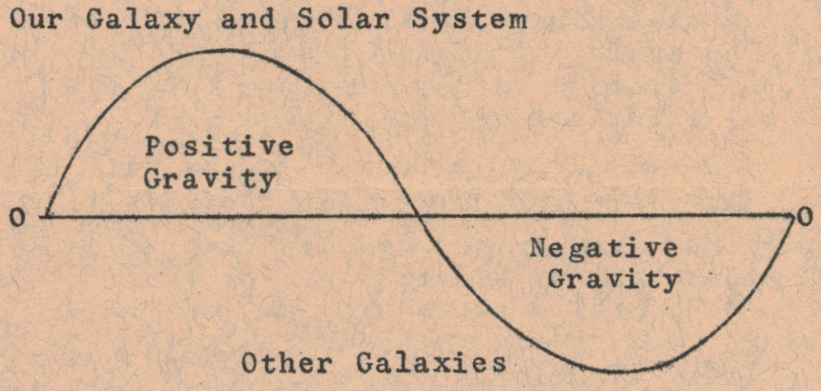
STEPS TO THE STARS

By Daniel W. Fry

Chapter II, Gravity (Concluded from Oct-Nov Journal)

"Through the concept of the curvature of physical law we see that the addition of mass to an existing body does not, necessarily, increase the force of attraction between its parts, but may, under certain conditions, cause the field to become negative, and the attraction to become a repulsion.

"We can explain the observed actions of the present universe by postulating that an attraction exists between the individual bodies within a galaxy (our solar system is within the Milky Way galaxy), because their total mass and distance is such that they are within the positive portion of the gravitation curve with respect to each other. In the



vast spaces between the galaxies, however, the curve dips below the zero line. The result is that a repulsion exists between the galaxies themselves. This also explains why matter, although rather evenly distributed throughout the known universe, is not distributed uniformly, but is found in quite similar concentrations at comparatively regular distances.

SO HOW DO WE TRAVEL IN SPACE?

"At this point we hear someone say, 'These explanations may be very interesting to the astronomer or to the theoretical physicist, but how can they help us in achieving space travel?' The answer is, of course, that we must have some understanding of the physical laws before we can make the proper use of them in attaining our own personal ambitions.

"In his dream of space travel man has generally considered only three possibilities of escaping from the earth. First, gravity must be destroyed. That is, the operation of the gravitational field must

cease between the space craft and the earth, so that it will not hinder the departure of the craft. While a number of highly imaginative stories have been written along this line no theory has ever been evolved or test conducted which could give us any hope that such a condition can be achieved.

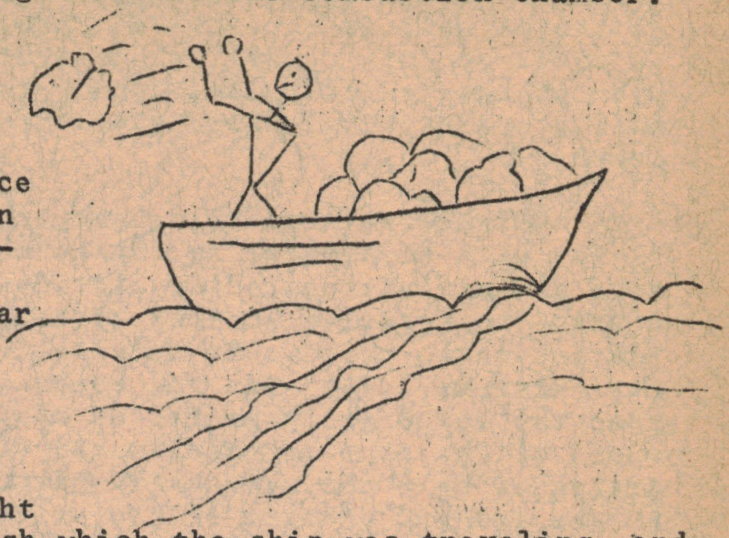
A GRAVITY SHIELD

"Despairing of the first possibility we pass on to the second. Gravity must be shielded. Some type of screening material must be interposed between the craft and the earth to cut off or absorb the gravitational field so that while it still exists it will no longer act upon the craft. Here again we have found imagination raising our hopes, and reality disappointing, for no material has been discovered which shows any promise of fulfilling such a function. With our hopes considerably subdued we pass on to the third possibility. Gravity must be overcome. We must apply a greater force, so that we can rise against the pull of gravity, even though we must pay an exorbitant tribute of energy for each foot of progress. In this last plan we have a slight degree of initial success. Rocket motors have fought and struggled their way upward against the implacable, if impersonal, pull of the earth's gravitational field for distances of up to 250 miles (1955). While this is a very small step toward complete escape from the earth, the fact that any progress at all could be achieved, has so stimulated the age-old ambition that science is now devoting a large portion of its total efforts to this 'last hope of escape.'

"When man attempts to attain his ends by pitting one natural law against another, he usually finds that it is a wasteful and laborious process. While it is perfectly possible to propel a rowboat by throwing rocks from the stern it is not a method which an intelligent man would choose if he were aware of other possibilities. In the first place, the thrown rock must accelerate not only the boat, but all the rocks which remain to be thrown! If a long journey were planned, the greatest problem would be to find enough room in the boat to store the required number of rocks. Since the thrust produced is equal to the mass of the rock multiplied by the velocity of of its ejection, it is obvious that there are three limiting factors. First, there is the total mass of the available rocks, which is limited by the size of the boat which contains them. Second, there is the total amount of energy available. (This is a factor only because we have so little understanding of the true nature of energy.) The third, and at the present time the most serious factor, is the limited mechanical strength of the throwing arm.

"In a rocket motor the 'rocks' are represented by a gas produced by burning the fuels within the combustion chamber. The gas, at high temperature and pressure, is expelled through an opening or 'venturi' in the stern. Since the amount of fuel is limited by the size of the

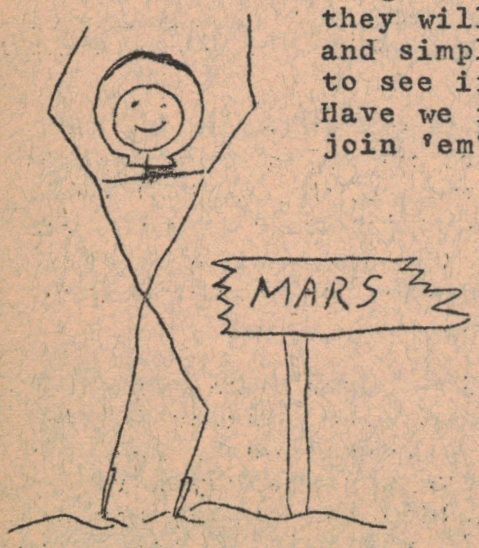
rocket, the only means of increasing the total thrust is to increase the velocity of ejection, but this can only be accomplished by increasing the temperature and pressure of the gas within the combustion chamber. Regardless of the amount of energy which is available, the amount of thrust which can be produced is limited by the ability of the chamber to withstand the temperatures and pressures involved. Since these limits are reached , and often exceeded, by ordinary chemical energies, it is clear that the vastly greater energies available in nuclear reactions are, at the present time at least, of academic interest only to rocket engineers. In the case of the craft which remained in our atmosphere, of course, more 'rocks' could be taken aboard while in flight by scooping up the atmosphere through which the ship was traveling, and allowing the surplus energy to act upon it. In space flight, however, this is not possible; and it is hardly likely that the efficiency of the rocket motor can be increased sufficiently in the near future to permit of practical or economical space travel.



THE ANCIENT, INEFFICIENT ROCKET

"Actually, the rocket has been obsolete for centuries. There has not been a single basic advance in the rocket concept since the year 1214 A.D., when the invading hordes of Genghis Khan were met by the military ordnance rockets of the Chinese defenders in their walled cities. True, we have produced stronger combustion chambers, we have improved slightly the shape of the venturi, and we have developed fuels with higher specific impulses, but we have done nothing to advance the basic concept. We are still propelling our boat by throwing rocks over the stern.

"Men now living will stand upon the surface of Mars and Venus, but they will not go there in a rocket. There are better and simpler ways. It is time to reexamine our position to see if there is not something we have overlooked. Have we forgotten the old saying, 'If you cant lick 'em, join 'em?'



"We have tried for centuries to 'lick' the force of gravity. We have tried to destroy it, and failed. We have searched for some method of shielding ourselves from its effect. We have not discovered it. We have attempted to overcome it by opposing it with superior force, and have found it a wasteful and cumbersome process. Isn't it about time we gave up the idea of fighting the force of gravity and began to consider the possibilities of making use of it?

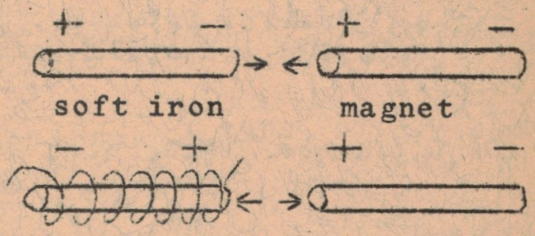
MAKE OUR SPACE SHIP NEGATIVE

"We have learned that gravity, like all natural factors, has a negative as well as a positive value. If after building our space craft we could arrange conditions so that the ship was in the negative portion of the gravitational curve, it would fall away from the earth as easily and naturally as a stone dropped from a tower falls toward the earth.

"At once we hear the objection that while negative gravitational fields have been shown to exist, they have been found only within the atom and at inter-galactic distances. How can we place a space ship within the negative portion of the curve, with respect to the earth? The answer to this is in the fact that natural laws are not absolute, but relative. The size and shape of the curve of one law is dependent upon the value and position of the others. We have seen that the nucleus of the atom of uranium 235 dips below the zero line with the addition of only one mass unit, making a total of 236, yet the nucleus of of the atom of uranium of 238, although close to the zero line is still on the positive side of the curve. This is because the shape of the gravitational curve is modified not only by the mass present but also by the number and position of the electrical charges.

"Lest someone accuse us of ignorance by pointing out that there are the same number of electrons (92) in each of these atoms, we will make haste to state that we refer not only to the charges in the outer shell of the atom but to those within as well. We also know that the neutron possesses both a positive and a negative charge, although when united within the neutron they are discernible as charges but exist as energy which produces the gravitational field.

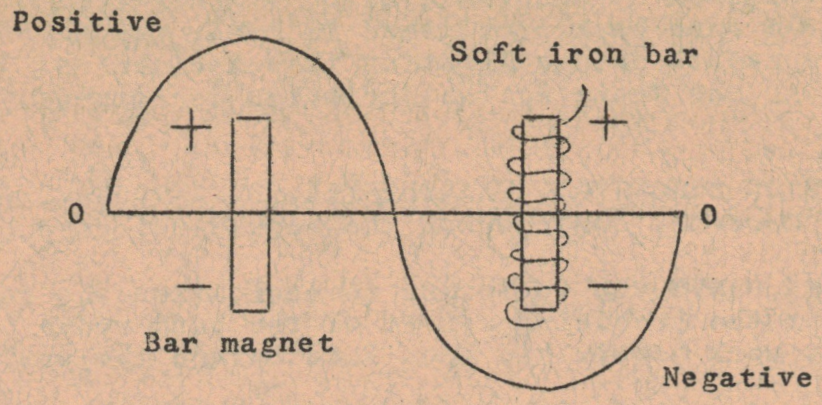
"When we acquire a better understanding of the laws we will be able to produce any shape of curve we desire, with the earth as one reference point and the spacecraft as the other.



"Suppose you were to hand a bar magnet and a similar bar of soft iron to a man who was intelligent but uneducated, with the request that he examine and test the two objects in order to determine their properties. One of the properties which the researcher would be certain to list would be the 'inherent' property of mutual attraction between the two objects. He would observe that when either end of one bar approached either end of the other bar, a condition of attraction was observed. He would probably conclude that the attraction was an inherent quality of these objects, and that it would continue to persist regardless of anything which could be done.

"We know, of course, that if a length of insulated wire were wound around the soft iron bar, and a flow of electrons were induced in the winding, the two bars could be made to exhibit a repulsion as readily as an attraction. Note that in this case we have not destroyed the field of the permanent magnet; we have not shielded the field; nor have we overcome it. We have simply produced a field which is in opposition

to it, or to state the case more concisely, we have polarized the field by placing one end of the soft iron bar within the negative portion of the magnetic curve with respect to each end of the permanent magnet which is already so polarized.



"The same possibility exists with respect to gravitational fields except that the results are not obtained in quite the same way. It is not too difficult, however, to work out means of polarizing a gravitational field, once we discard the old assumption that it is impossible."

We close this chapter with three items from Dan Fry's summary of the first two chapters of his book: "The gravitational field does not diminish precisely as the square of the distance as Newton believed; but because of the curvature of natural law, it diminishes normally at a slightly greater rate so that is reaches zero value, not at infinity as is usually supposed, but at a finite distance or degree of separation. Beyond this distance or degree of separation the force becomes negative. . . We can define a gravitational field as negative when the application of the factor called time tends to increase the degree of separation between any two reference points in the factor called matter. . . . It is perfectly possible to produce a negative gravitational field between the earth and a given object on or near its surface by the proper application of moving electric charges. Such a field would be effective only with respect to the given object. All other matter in the vicinity would remain within the positive portion of the curve."

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The technical drawings accompanying this material are by the editor; the cartoon drawings are by Associate Helynn Hoffa. In our next Journal we will go into Chapter Three of Daniel W. Fry's book, "Steps to the Stars." This chapter, on "Matter and Mass", has a wonderful and easily understandable example or illustration of Einstein's Law of Relativity.

Daniel W. Fry is head of his own engineering and manufacturing firm in El Monte, California, with a payroll of over eighty people. He also is head of Understanding, an informal organization of over 30 Flying Saucer study groups in America, with a few branches overseas. If you wish to keep in touch with this unusual man and his work write to Understanding Headquarters, Box 22, Station C, Pasadena, California.

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FINAL EXCERPTS FROM "ANTIQUITY UNVEILED"

Prepared by Associate Alice Winston from the rare book, published in 1894, which presents data suggesting that Apollonius was the Jesus of the Christian Scriptures.

COMMUNICATION FROM ZOROASTER, ZARATHUSTRA, OR ZERDUSHT, with comment by Jonathan M. Roberts, compiler of the book "Antiquity Unveiled."

On April 25, 1878 the following communication was received from Aronamar; he was the presiding spirit of the band under whose ministrations the great work herein has been laid before the world.

"Kingdoms and empires have passed away since I was on Earth; revolutions, bloodshed, wars and pestilence. . . and yet still the human race advances one step nearer to the great I AM. It is in vain for mortals to struggle to keep back the Light that spirits are bringing to this world. Oh, where I am, I wish allwere! I look not upon the selfishness of humanity; I only contemplate that which is grand and ennobling.

"Men and women, when they reach the sphere that I have gained are well purged of all vices. To come back here (Earth) is difficult, but nevertheless it must be done. Spiritual food must be supplied and who can supply it so well as those who have gained it by their own experience? To enjoy happiness it is necessary to know its opposite. It is only by contrast that real happiness can exist.

"What do I know of the Infinite Mind? What do I know of That which is ever beyond the reach? On some trees the fairest fruit grows nearest the top, and the more we partake of it, the more eager we become to enjoy it. New beauties unfold from day to day, and he or she who will drink at the Fountain of Eternal Truth shall never thirst.

"Not to occupy more time, I will say, may the good spirits keep you and aid you in the right, and sustain you in the work in which you are engaged. And when your task is done, may you cross the stream to those beautiful realms beyond. I lived about 200 years before the time of Alexander the Great, and until shortly after the death of Cyrus, well known in Persian history. I was Persian and was known as an astrologer."

Aranomar

Little did I think, when I received that communication, of what was to follow through the same medium. It was on March 26, 1880 that I received the communication from the spirit of Potamon, founder of the Alexandrian or Eclectic School of Philosophy, which opened this remarkable series of communications from ancient and modern spirits. I was aware, from that time, that Aranomar was the chief of the spirit band

that controlled at the sittings I have weekly with the medium.

Since that time I have never had a communication through the medium that in any way related to myself personally, or the use I was to make of those communications in forwarding the intentions of the spirits in giving them. This was left solely to my discretion. As the communications continued, until the spirits declared they had accomplished their purpose and completed their work.

On July 1, 1881 I learned from the guide of the medium that Aranomar had been waiting for an opportunity to control the medium, and that circumstances had not before been such that he could do this. He had at last succeeded and was compelled to do this immediately; or he might be for centuries prevented from saying what he desired to say to me personally at this sitting. Here the guide yielded control and Aronamar took possession of the medium: (deleted)

"I salute you, sir. I am Zarathustra, or Zoroaster, the Daniel of the Jewish scriptures. I lived in the days of Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar, Darius, Hydaspes and Cyrus. It is very important that I communicate with you at this time; and I ask you to give this Communication at the last; as, by arrangement of the Spirits with whom I am acting, I am to close or complete these communications.

"The Jewish book of Daniel was stolen bodily from the books written by myself, or through me, concerning Ormuzd and Mithra. And, sir, I ask you. . . whether I have not proven my honesty and acted with the sole object of benefitting humanity. (Affirmed)

"It will be difficult to find evidence of the truth of what I am about to communicate in any books now extant. . . and I will tell you why this is so. Anything that was opposed to the Christian religion can no longer be found in ancient writings, because of the care with which all such evidence has been destroyed by Christian priestly zealots. Only such evidence as could be construed to favor Christianity, or what did not oppose it, has been allowed to escape destruction. I want you to give this point particular attention, for thereby you reach truth.

"The Hebrew book, called the Book of Daniel, contains the account of the actual experiences of Zoroaster at the court of Nebuchadnezzar, and the other kings I have named. All that is mentioned in the Book of Daniel occurred through myself as a medium, and has no relation to a Jewish Daniel, but solely to Zarathustra of the Persians."

(I omit several paragraphs dealing with the story of Nebuchadnezzar eating grass, the Court of Cyrus where Aronamar went through the ordeal of the lion's den and was protected through mesmeric and psychological power, received from the spirits. He was also that one who read the "handwriting on the wall" in the days of Belshazzar; also comments on the virgin birth, etc. -- comments on religions based on planetary and stellar systems, the Hindoo-Chaldaic religion, as well as the ancient Phoenician. All this can be read in the book being published by Health Research, Mokulumne Hill, California at $3.00 a copy. A.W.)

ARONAMAR'S NARRATIVE CONTINUES

"And I want to say, at the close of your book, that all the sciences and all the knowledge of antiquity are concentrated in two books. The nature of one of them, the Book of Revelation, has been explained to you Apollonius of Tyana, and the other is the Book of Daniel. These two books open up to you the secrets of antiquity. By this I mean, when properly understood and interpreted, but not when literally read. "

The spirit could control the medium no longer. Taking my hand -- a most unusual manifestation by spirits of their special interest in my work ... he bade me an eloquent and fraternal adieu ... however, through the uide he continued to converse with me. This conversation I could not record.

Among the things said were ... that spirit forces, with which Zarathustra was working, were fourfold ... the leaders, or chiefs, of which were, first, Hermes Trismegistus, the Egyptian philosopher and sage who lived B.C. 1150; second, Guatama Buddha, the Hindoo medium and sage, who lived B.C. 950, third, himself, Zarathustra, the Median and Persian sage who lived B.C. 650; and fourth, Apollonius of Tyana, the Cappadocian medium and sage, who lived from the beginning to the end of the first century of the so-called Christian era.

When this revelation was made to me, the mystery that had so much perplexed me was cleared away. I had wondered how the vast array of spirit testimony that had been given from week to week, through the organism of the medium, had been collected and presented. But this was no longer surprising, in view of the mighty forces that had been concentrated for that purpose by four of the greatest leaders of human thought that had ever lived on this planet.

Behind Hermes Trismegistus were the thousands of millions of Egyptian spirits who worshipped him as an incarnated god ... Behind Guatama Buddha were the vastly greater number of his Mongolian followers, all moved and swayed as one man. Behind Zoroaster were the vast spirit hosts of the Semetic nations of western Asia. And behind Apollonius of Tyana were the multitude of his followers among the Greek and Latin speaking peoples. It was these combined spirit forces, animated and moved by the Spirits of those four great leaders of human thought, with the common purpose of giving the unadulterated truth to the world, that made it possible for this series of Communications to be given.

(There was further comment by Aronamar to Roberts on the organization of the Christian church "founded upon old mythological, theological, allegorical and priestly deceptions of all the preceeding religions, in a new guise, which would forever hold the human soul in priestly thralldom, and the human mind in the leading strings of the impious hands of the priests.")

"During the past sixteen hundred years, the Christian church has been sending to spirit life thousands of millions of ignorant and

bigoted spirits, whose whole desire and aim has been to perpetuate the ignorance which governed them and controlled them while on earth. These, on entering spirit life have remained near the earth plane and have operated as an almost impassable barrier to the return of the older, more advanced ancient spirits, who sought to inform mortals of the truths of the after life."

The ultimate of these spirit disclosures will be the utter demolition of the bigoted sectarianism that has so long prevailed, both in the spirit world and upon earth. In its place will rise an enlightened freedom of thought that will carry mankind forward over every obstacle that may be thrown in the way of general progress.

The End.

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We can always hope, but to your editor it doesn't seem that Jonathan Roberts' "Antiquity Unveiled" has made much headway against "bigoted sectarianism" since it was published in 1894. Nevertheless no worthwhile effort is ever really wasted and Associate Winston is to be congratulated for having made this effort to revive public interest in the Great Redeemers and Lawgivers of the past. Though there is a considerable discrepancy in dates as to the incarnation of Zarathustra, 650 B.C. according to Roberts, and 8,900 years before Kosmon according to Oahspe, the history of Zarathustra in Oahspe makes interesting reading, page 172, under the Book of Fragapatti, Son of Jehovih.

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SEANCE MEMORANDA OF THE INNER CIRCLE

A good example of the ignorance and bigotry of orthodox Christianity carried over into spirit life occurred in one of the early Probert seances, January 12, 1947. It is on page 31 of Vol. II:

"Missionary. At the close of this seance the medium began to speak in a weak and thin female voice, very sadly, while tears streamed down Mark's face. 'I was a missionary. I died in a little grass hut in Africa, deep in the Jungle. How strange to be talking here! I hardly know how to talk. I have tried to talk to many people but no one would listen. Oh, I am so thirsty! No, it will do me no good to give water to this medium, so they tell me. Oh, I have been so disappointed! Disappointed! Betrayed! I expected everything to be so different. I expected to see God and his Angels. Betrayed by everything I was ever taught. Everything I was taught about death and religion was wrong.' (This spirit was given such help and advice as seemedpposssible. The controls have explained that often such persons are more responsive to help from our plane, since they are still largely in our vibration of dense matter. There is a desperate need for 'rescue circles,' but this is almost entirely neglected by spiritualists)."

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WHEN THE SPACE PEOPLE COME

By Associate Frank Gerard

This article is not to be taken seriously. It is neither scientific nor educationnal. It consists merely of a musings about the assurances said to come from Space People that they are anxious to make mass landings and come among us and help us, once they know their reception will be friendly and no hostile action will be taken against them. Let's speculate as to what might really happen if they did land.

We will assume that Major Donald Keyhoe has succeeded in persuading the Air Force to confess its duplicity, and that it now accepts the UFOs as real objects under intelligent control. Let's also assume an official admission that the visitors have no harmful intentions toward us, and an official readiness to meet them when they do land.

First, let us take up the idea that the Space People are capable of taking over TV and radio and, regardless of what programs are going on at the time, can blanket the country with their message. Since it has not yet been tried, even in a small way, we must assume it is beyond their abilities or there is some other reason for ignoring this method of mass communication. Barging in on our TV and radio programs would be a bit of a jar to us but it would lessen the shock of a mass landing.

But let us suppose there are several of these landings, with just a few ships to each. We'll put one somewhere in the area of Washington D.C., another in the mid-West, and another in Texas. (This'll startle those plutocrats out of their ten gallon hats.) Of course we must have a landing in Southern California because we live here!

BEWARE THE SOUVENIR HUNTERS

The first problem will be the safety of the Flying Saucers. Word will get around swiftly and one can imagine the roads clogged with the mad rush to be there first. It will take something sturdy to withstand the assaults of the souvenir hunters. Maybe the SP will have a few signs ready, KEEP AWAY - HIGHLY DANGEROUS; or perhaps the ship will be surrounded with an electric charge sufficient to give intruders a nasty jolt. Anyway, let's hope the SP dont underestimate the frenzy of the souvenir hunters. The followers of Genghis Khan were lamb-like in comparison.

Now what? Let's get the visitors into town. If they have been smart they will arrive around 3:30 a.m. Should they attempt to get into our larger cities any time later in the day they will run into traffic jams that will probably make them change their minds about trying to civilize us. An alternative that suggests itself at this point is that the Space People might decide to land at specified air-

ports where they would be assured protection. This way they would receive the red-carpet treatment but they would also run the risk of being surrounded with the dreadful mantle of official caution and secrecy typical of Government dealings.

LANDING AT THE NATION'S CAPITOL

One can imagine the smart ranks of a special guard drawn up on the field at Washington, D.C. The first Saucer plops down. The invisible door opens and the first Space Visitor appears in the doorway. The bandmaster raises his baton and the band strikes up the music of . . . Come to think of it, just what the dickens would the band play? Let's put that on the agenda for future research.

Anyway, since protocol forbids displays of personal feelings we can imagine the greetings as being fairly formal and unspectacular. We must assume from what we have heard that the appearance of the visitors will be extremely impressive -- such as to convince the reception committee that the visitors are definitely superior beings! Now come the reporters with notebooks and microphones, and the photographers. Since no one has found a way of short-circuiting these gentry we shall see the visitors through the eyes and ears of these intermediaries. Should the visitors turn out to be something other than small green men with pointed heads, the press will go slinking away in disgust. "Huh! A bunch of phonies! Not a little green man in the lot?"

Should there be several such officially recognized landings the scene we have imagined would be repeated with only minor changes. Mayors and county officials would take the place of the Vice-President as head of the welcoming committee, and small girls would come forward to hand the Space People bouquets of flowers.

AND NOW TO BUSINESS

In Washington we will assume that the President has called a cabinet meeting, with perhaps the addition of a few senators and representatives from Congress. This first meeting will probably be of the "closed door" variety but we'll listen in anyway. The President makes his welcoming speech, saying how gratified he is that our country has been honored by the coming of such august visitors. He then calls upon the leader of the Space People to address the meeting.

At this point the writer readily agrees he faces the real danger of being the "fool who rushes in where angels fear to tread." So let us assure the readers we intend no disrespect to that mighty and august society of Advanced Souls who, he firmly believes, actually exist and who offer mankind at all times Their love and Their comradeship, ever standing by to aid us in our struggles toward the Light. So what follows is nothing more than our own personal concept of what an advanced Being from Outer Space <u>might</u> say, based on our life-long studies of man's real purpose on earth, on our belief regarding the causes of the world's present agonies, and on our concepts of what lies ahead for humanity.

It would seem to us that the first problem facing the SP will be

to explain the relationship of mankind with other planes and frequencies on which conscious life exists, thus leading up to the facts of the existence of beings at various levels of development, both on other planes of consciousness, as well as in forms corresponding to our physical bodies on some of the other planets in our solar system.

In other words, we cannot conceive of any explanation concerning the existence of the Space People without bringing in matters which we regard as pure metaphysics. Just what such references would mean to the average cabinet member or member of Congress cannot of course be asserted with any certainty, but one can easily imagine the state of the average earthly mind after a bit of talk along these lines. It will be one of utter bewilderment! The minds of the heads of our Government will register virtually nothing; since they will have nothing in their experience or in their beliefs to tie in with such metaphysical concepts -- especially "mat and demat"!!!

But perhaps the Visitor will, in his wisdom, perceive a better way of opening his explanations than by such metaphysical references. He may indicate that they, the Space People, are merely beings like us and that they have come to advise us regarding certain matters of world importance.

Then he would probably indicate some of the fields of human affairs that are of concern to the Space Brotherhood, such as the widespread conflicts between nations and races, and the dangers of another world war. He would point out the sinister threat in the atom and hydrogen bombs and the tragic results of their use. He might also point out the dangers represented by Russian and Chinese ambitions and their disregard for the things civilized people hold dear. But we must assume that these introductory remarks would carefully avoid any indication that the Space People were here to support this or any other nation in its conflicts with other nations. In concluding his remarks the SP would probably state his willingness to answer questions.

One can now imagine the forest of hands that would be raised demanding recognition. Undoubtedly the first question would be, "Are you for us or against us?" Other questions would be, "What do you suggest we do regarding Communism, Africa, China and other danger areas?"

WHO HAS THE ANSWERS?

It is at this point that we feel like handing the crystal ball over to the reader. We just cant imagine what the SP would have to say about total disarmament, how to deal with Russia and China, how to calm down Africa. Maybe the SP would ask that the the meeting be adjourned so he could talk to the United Nations General Assembly, but the Cabinet might not like this.

"Look here," the Secretary of State might say, "you are our guests here at our invitation. What we want to know is, are you on our side or not? After all, we have certain responsibilities to our people. As matters stand now we are up against powerful enemies on all sides. Can you help us get the better of them? We dont want neutrals."

THE CHICAGO LANDING

Next, let us suppose a group of Space People land at Chicago, and after the welcoming ceremonies are concluded, they suggest a meeting with Church dignitaries, since the assignment of this group is to advise us on religious matters.

At this meeting the leader might decide to plunge right in with an explanation of the basis of all religions, with the assurance that all such pathways lead eventually to Oneness with the Supreme Creator. He would probably deal with the Christian religion as the Founder originnally intended it, using an ample assortment of Bible quotations to support his thesis. He would probably avoid words too closely associated with metaphysics, though metaphysical implications would lie behind everything he had to say. Such a wisely handled talk might appeal to a few churchly organizations, and the visitor would be talking to the churches rather than to metaphysical societies. He might succeed in widening the mental horizons of his listeners; but on the other hand he might start up the doggondest interdenominational fracas the world has seen since Martin Luther.

THE TEXAS LANDING

Way back east in Texas the Space group might tackle the problem of our scientists, and especially those engaged in the conquest of outer space. They could tell our scientists just where they are off the track in dealing with outer space conditions and how to correct their misconceptions. However, when it comes to supplying us with improved techniques for solving earthly problems, the visitors would restrict themselves to those suggestions which could not be used in warfare or to enrich individuals or corporations. For instance, they might tell us how to produce fresh, drinkable water from the sea, but without revealing forms of energy which could be seized upon for profitable exploitation.

This same sort of problem confronts us in almost every area of our National life, economics and money, education, even TV and radio. No matter how earnestly we gaze into our crystal ball it is extremely difficult for us to see any clear picture of how the Space People could effect any substantial changes in our well-established ways of life; at least by trying to work through the leaders in any department of our lives. Our system and ways are too deeply rooted to be easily changed even at the urging of superior beings such as we imagine the Space People to be. Only a terrific jolt will shake us to our roots and perhaps tear out certain institutions, lock, stock and barrel. Even the conversion of sizeable numbers of people to a more lofty and more spiritual way of life would seem to offer little immediate results in our national affairs.

In closing these musings the writer feels he should try to placate those readers who might think he has treated the subject of the Space People and their possible landing with too much levity. We really do take the matter seriously without being too solemn about it.

As a long time student of what is referred to as the Higher Wisdom we have an enormous respect for and deference to true greatness, wherever it may be found. We can be as humble as the next person when it comes to pitting our meagre intelligence and spiritual understanding against the Higher Powers. Yet, we feel that even these Great Ones would have us as individuals examine all things in the light of what we ourselves know, and to use our intelligence to see past the attractive and often fanciful pictures of wishful thinking, and to apply ourselves to what we can do for ourselves instead of waiting for Them to do everything for us.

It seems to us quite certain that if there is to be a "Golden Age" for man or earth in the not too distant future there will be need for those of practical turn of mind who possess the ability to deal with conditions and circumstances in terms of things as they are. These people, as well as the dreamers and mystics, have their place in the great scheme of things.

Yet, even though our crystal ball has failed us for the time being, the reader can count on it that, as soon as the first indication comes of the actual landings of the Space People, this writer, like the rest of you, will have his radio and TV turned on and will be as excited as the eagerest among you.

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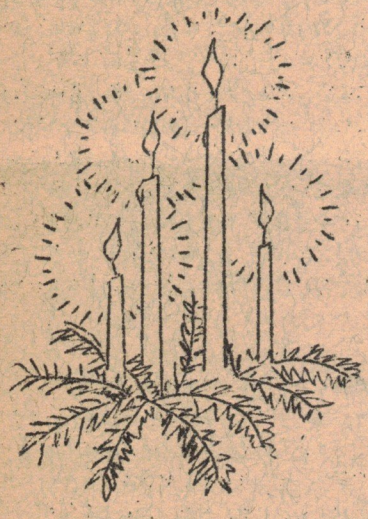

Clips, Quotes And Comments

OAHSPE AND REINCARNATION

In the October-November number of the Journal Mary Hyde gives some ideas about reincarnation. In the course of her remarks she refers to the dictum of Oahspe on the subject. In common with most persons who refer to the stated portions of Oahspe, a further statement is overlooked. In the place to which reference is made, (page and verse cannot now be given because my library of some thousands of books is packed for a change of location) a state of pseudo-reincarnation is described.

It is stated that very determined spirits, intent on rebirth, invade the bodies of weaker spirits, pushing the rightful owner of the body to the back and taking possession. These invading spirits know no other than that they are reincarnated. They can give details of former lives and thus furnish that which believers in the idea take to be definite evidence of the truth of their notion. The rightful owner of the body is shoved back, so to speak, but is still at hand and will again take possession of his heritage if the obsessing entity

can be ousted. That this can be done was amply demonstrated by Dr. and Mrs. Wickland as related in the very valuable work, "Thirty Years Among The Dead." It is to be hoped that my good friend Wing Anderson will see his way to issuing another edition of that interesting book.

The possibility mentioned above demonstrates the viciousness of strong belief in and determination to practice reincarnation. The Wickland book can still be found offered at second hand and will well repay purchase when it can be located.

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Your editor is glad to have comment on the reincarnation problem from Associate Wagner, but a re-reading of the Mary Hyde article will reveal that the original reference to Oahspe was mine rather than Mrs. Hyde's. Being a devotee of Oahspe along with Wing Anderson, Mr. Wagner apparently rejects Mrs. Hyde's basic hypothesis, as well as Peggy Le Grand's, that reincarnation is one of the facts of life. I had hoped for discussion from the Associates on the problem Mrs. Hyde presented, and her suggested solution.

Wing Anderson's address, by the way, is Drawer 20871, Los Angeles 6, California if you wish to write to him concerning his publications, Oahspe and the two Wickland books, Thirty Years Among The Dead, and The Gateway Of Understanding.

THE FALSE DOCTRINE OF REINCARNATION

A good example of the viciousness of the false doctrine of reincarnation can be found in the chapter on that subject in Dr. Wickland's "Gateway of Understanding" where he describes the plight of a boy, brought to him for treatment, because the mother rightly suspected that his illness was caused by obsessing entities. Dr. Wickland writes that after a number of spirits had been removed from the boy they finally succeeded in removing an egomaniac who had been an English Theosophist. The Controls guiding the work of Dr. Wickland's rescue circle allowed the "intelligent former reincarnationist", as Dr. Wickland called him, to occupy Mrs. Wickland's body.

"How do you do and who are you?" asked Dr. Wickland.

"A man of course, How could I be anything else?" replied the spirit. "I am born again. I was a Theosophist and was going to reincarnate but when I tried to there were about a dozen ahead of me. (Other spirits obsessing patient.) And I dont like it. All of us crowded into one little body. I was a man, a student studying Theosophy, and I died, but I have not yet reached what I am going to become."

"How did you find my son?" asked the mother of the patient.

"Through you. I found you first. I thought you were quite a nice lady and I saw that if I could get into your family I could have a good home and a quiet, easy life. But circumstances prevented my reincarnating and I only got into a boy. I know better now and I under

stand that reincarnation is all buncombe. I knew where I was all the time."

"What is your name?" asked Wickland.

"My name is Ralph James and I was a lecturer in London. (The patient's family had lived in England.) King Edward was ruler then. I wish that I could go out and shout to the world how many children are sent to the idiot asylums by spirits of Theosophists who have hovered around mothers trying to reincarnate through a young baby. When one gets into a child and cannot get out it is a great mistake. Sometimes there are two, three or more minds trying to interfere. The child is declared insane and they all go to the asylum and remain with the child until it dies.

"Once in awhile an obsessing spirit can get away but only by holding continuously the thought of leaving. This is very difficult. Sometimes I was able to slip away but came back again. I have been watching the whole proposition here (removal of obsessing spirits, one by one, from the patient) and watched for my time to get out. I have observed obsession here and the treatments given, the effect of electricity on the vital organs, the magnetic current being cut and the wonderful results acoomplished by means of this psychic. (Mrs. Wickland)"

"Why people cannot master themselves in the earth life I cannot understand. They should study nature instead of growing so negative from following various fads, such as eating only vegetables. They should understand that everything depends on everything else, from microbes on up. Many Theosophists travel around in the astral world in a blind condition but hold the thought of finding a place to reincarnate. Many want to become leaders and have their own religion. . . "

Including Ralph James, of course. Here you have the perfect example of an individual blinded by his own conceit, taking up the study of metaphysics not to serve and to help his fellowmen, but for his own self-glorification? -- not too different really from the bitter missionary quoted on page 15. The Flying Saucer movement today is infested with a choice collection of Ralph James'es, peddling a smattering of metaphysics bought from some occult Los Angeles mail order house. Wickland's book is full of the after-death confessions of these would-be Masters, still earth-bound by their greed for adulation.

There is a true doctrine of reincarnation taught by the Mystery Schools. Ralph James would have found it had he taken the time and the trouble to study the Ancient Wisdom with his heart as well as his mind. The choice of return to this or any other sphere belongs not to the personality but to the Higher Self. The Christ that overshadows each and every mortal makes the plan of evolution. The inscrutable majesty of Its purpose is far, far beyond the understanding of mortal man.

The doctrine of reincarnation in all its sublime and terrible beauty is not for weakling nor for those with guilty consciences. Dr. Wickland rejected it and, considering the obsessive behavior of those blind mortals with whom he struggled in his rescue work, I dont blame

him. As he writes on page 213: "The doctrine of reincarnation is very pernicious, since earthly-minded individuals with strong attractions to the physical world, may learn of the theory of rebirth and fix firmly in their minds the determination to reincarnate again, hoping to obtain a better opportunity to carry out their earthly propensities."

Then the good doctor passes from the data of his psychic research to personal opinion and says, page 219: "The entire scheme of reincarnation is a limited idea. . . There is no need of returning to the mundane world when we can progress from sphere to sphere, or school to school, and thus ultimately realize the 'God within'."

This is a noble idea, Dr. Wickland, but what about the people who are not interested in progress, but prefer to indulge their vices? And what about those who fail to master the lessons in this school and cant pass the term tests? Do they go on to the next grade regardless? Or do they fall back and take the work over again with the next class here?

I believe most Associates would agree with Dr. Wickland where he says: "To live morally and uprightly, to learn in this life what we are living for, and to realize there are future opportunities, is undoubtedly the cardinal object of our human existence." But then this is contradicted by an earlier paragraph on page 210: "If reincarnation had been a fact through the ages should we not find evidence of it in a goodly portion of superior human beings who had advanced to a high degree of knowledge and development? But there is no evidence of such supermen; only a general average is noticeable among mankind."

WHAT ABOUT JESUS CHRIST?

Here, it seems to me, Dr. Wickland's antipathy to the doctrine of reincarnation has clouded his better judgement; for apparently he classes such superior men as Zoroaster, Gautama Buddha, Moses, Hermes, the Master Jesus, Paul, the Comte de St. Germain, Gandhi and Abraham Lincoln as average men?

Dr. Wickland's thirty years of psychic rescue work here on the Pacific coast is a monument of selfless service and devotion to his fellow men. I suppose thousands of people were brought back to good health and sanity through his expert ministrations, with the help of his good wife; and for which we can be eternally grateful. But on the other side of America, the east coast at Virginia Beach, another monument of selfless service and devotion to mankind was being erected by Edgar Cayce. Cayce was his own medium. The Controls who worked through him made heroic and successful efforts to alleviate the ignorance and suffering of thousands of men and women. Strangely enough, the basis of their work was the doctrine of reincarnation. In your editor's opinion, Dr. Carl Wickland made a clear case against the false doctrine of reincarnation mentioned in Oahspe; Edgar Cayce made a clear case for the true doctrine of reincarnation mentioned in the Ancient Wisdom. You can study the former in Dr. Wickland's books and in Oahspe; you can study the latter in Sugrue's biography of Cayce, "There Is A River," and in Gina Cerminara's "Many Mansions".

A LEFT HANDED COMPLIMENT, FROM A NON-PAYING READER

I've read about a dozen Round Robins so far. To save any misunderstandings I should tell you that the subjects you select are the very ones I avoid yet do not criticize since they have their place in the scheme of things. Thanks for any assistance you may give us in contacting the writer of a feature of practical interest in the Jan-Feb RR.

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SIX SYING FLAUCERS SEEN ON HALLOWEEN

The Humboldt Times, Eureka, Calif. Nov. 1, 1960: "At least seven Crescent City adults and six children were treated to an unusual sight early Sunday evening when six 'flying saucers' performed aerial acrobatics overhead. The saucers were first sighted by Roy Ezell, 16, who summoned his parents. After viewing the saucers for a few minutes they called other neighbors. One of the spectators was Fred Boulden, flight service specialist for the Federal Aviation Agency in Crescent City. He described the objects as being similar to the Ocho satellite, but either lower in altitude or larger, 'and certainly brighter.' Also, he said, they were moving faster than the satellite and in the opposite direction at times.

"According to Boulden the objects were six in number, three traveling together in a southeast direction, two to the southwest and one, which he described as acting like a patrol craft, going in the middle between the two formations and lower than either. The patrol saucer was a bright pink. Boulden attributed this to the setting sun. The other five were brilliant gold in color. He contacted FAA officials in Crescent City who in turn contacted Requa Radar Base, then Kingsley Air Force Base in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

"Mrs. Boulden said the UFOs resembled the Echo but glowed much brighter and had no green tint. They did not continue to progress in one direction but retraced their course several times, and at other times would appear to hover. Upon departure the six objects rapidly disappeared over the Western horizon. She added that there was no sound and no jet stream and the formation the craft kept was fairly regular.

"Requa Air Base said last night that no radar track had been made of the objects inasmuch as the station was not attended during the period the objects were reported. An officer at Kingsley AFB said reports of the sighting have been filed with the Commander of the Air Defense Command, USAF, Washington, D.C., the assistant chief of staff intelligence, USAF, Washington, D.C., the Office of Information Services, USAF, Washington, D.C., and the commander of the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio."

We thank our new friends and Associates, Charles and Alvine Bullock, of South Fork, California for this recent news clip on a first class Saucer sighting. The Bullocks are proprietors of the "Eternal Tree House" on Hiway 101 in Northern California's Redwood empire.

LES SOUCOUPES VOLANTES FONT LEUR REAPPARITION

Yes, Flying Saucer sightings have been on the increase in Belgium and France, or were back in August and September when Associate May Morlet of Antwerp, Belgium sent us a few clippings. The above heading was about a sighting reported in a French paper of August 6th. Here is May's translation: "Two people, a man and woman, were returning from a visit with friends when their father-in-law, also in the car, showed them a light in the sky. They thought it was the moon, but when they had passed through the little village of Moringham they had to stop at a turning because an unknown object was on the road before them. It made no noise and had the form of a red ball, luminous at the bottom but with the top in shadow. The UFO followed them for almost one mile, flying very low and very near. They said they saw a luminous form in it and more distinctly an arm. It is said the witnesses are well known and very reliable and honest. An inquiry was being made by the police." At the end of the news clip it said that Daniel Hiot's "aventure a cause une gross emotion dans la ville de Moringhem." I imagine such an adventure would cause considerable excitement in any village!

WE ARE A CORPORATION, MR. BROWN

"Enclosed is my check for a two year extension of SUBSCRIPTION (NOTE PLEASE: You are NOT incorporated so we cannot become members. Sorry. The possible personal liability is too great. . . You should ask Morris Bealle to do an article on Granville Rice facts. Also get Frank Edwards to give publicity to item on page 29 of your June RR. Evil today fears only publicity. Fluoridation is being defeated by unorganized but honest people who have learned the facts and are telling others! . . Meade Layne is probably ill from food poisons, insecticides and Fluoride in San Diego drinking water! He should go on a raw juice and Merlek Water Cure. These cure everything -- over 70 incurable diseases. . . Every good wish for your success."

Ernest C.K.Brown
Hermosillo, Mexico

BSRA was incorporated as a not-for-profit foundation in 1951, but let's go back to October, 1950 and quote from one of the unpublished Mark Probert seances. At that time the Association, and the seances, had been going on for four years; and things were in such a state that Professor Luntz was moved to make about as critical a statement as one will ever hear from a member of the Inner Circle. "Here is another case of emotions -- an emotional attitude that says, 'I must do things my way or not at all.' We want very much to continue helping -- provided that the honorable Dr. Meade Layne will permit of someone else coming in and having a hand in the business. That seems to us quite necessary. . . we feel that the work, all of it, should be set up on a definite, harmonious, businesslike pattern. Everything now seems to be carried on in what can only be called a harum-scarum manner."

They saw to it that two businessmen, C.L.Alling and W. F. Liddon, became interested enough in the work Mark and Meade were doing to guide and finance the establishment of a non-profit corporation under

the laws of the State of California. As Professor Luntz said at that October 16th meeting: "Things are in such a state now that there must be a complete change in the honorable Dr. Layne's office arrangements; and if he does not feel it best to make these changes -- to abide by them -- then we cannot do anything about it. But we feel that the boy and his wife and you (Harriet Foster) will be willing to make whatever changes are necessary, in any case. I want to say that if this change does not come about, then the work will definitely collapse."

Of course BSRA didn't collapse and isn't going to; but the Inner Circle plans to place the whole enterprise on a businesslike basis did, within a year. The charter for Borderland Sciences Research Foundation was granted in May, 1951, funds were collected for an active research program, and the three prima donnas in the organization, Liddon, Layne and Irene Probert, took off on separate tangents. Finally, in desperation, Harriet Foster dumped the corporate papers in Meade's reluctant hands. To my knowledge no word of this split was ever admitted to the Associates in BSRA literature. This was only one of the shocks to Mrs. Crabb and I when I took over as director last year, and found the Proberts mighty cool to any proposals of cooperation and help with BSRA. It was only then I discovered they had set up a foundation of their own in 1955!

In that October 16, 1950 seance Professor Luntz payed Meade Layne a compliment with which I believe we will all agree, but he also hedged with one or two more warnings: "Dr. Layne is a deep, deep thinker, a man of great knowledge and great ability to put it on paper -- an excellent writer -- but often he has unwittingly worked against better conditions. Again, let us say, this thing must be put on a paying basis or it will not last; and Dr. Layne must abide by the laws of the land with regards to government reports, etc. . . "

It was in my mind to make of BSRA a non-profit corporation after taking over as director. Imagine my pleased surprise to learn from Harriet Foster that the corporate groundwork had been layed eight years earlier. I immediately wrote to Sacramento for a copy of the corporate charter, and was informed that the Foundation was still in good standing even though Meade had not bothered to turn in any annual reports! My first report as director went in last January, and you Associates also received the first financial report on BSRA operations in fourteen years. As of now the directors are your editor, Harriet Foster and Mrs. Crabb. I am confident the board of directors will be enlarged by the time the next annual report goes in to Sacramento.

MEADE LAYNE'S HEALTH

Ernest Brown's suggestions as to the cause and cure of our former director's physical condition are only the latest of many that have come in from Associates with many years of experience of diagnosis and practice in the healing field. I'd like to go back to one which came to the office in July, 1959, from the Uptons, in New Mexico. They are experts in radiesthesia and, as reported in the Sept-Oct, 1959 RR, had just made extensive exhibitions of their work under test conditions at the Westinghouse laboratories in Baltimore. Their letter also contained a diagnosis of Mr. Layne's physical condition.

"When we read in Round Robin that your health was not up to what it should be I told Curtis to put you in circuit and locate what and where. The seat of the trouble as he traced it was just below the navel near the solar plexus, and your left eye was not good. Your heart was a bit low but not serious. He recommends a series of colonics with a good person, usually three help, taken every other day, with the nurse massaging the abdomen while the colonic is being given. Curtis will check on you again in a day or so. My advice would be to avoid aluminum in any form -- that includes water that has been fluorine treated -- try to eat organic food, fruit and vegetables, cut out coffee and tea, smoking too, no plastics in dishes or otherwise, and no shots. Organic Ville Co. in LA can supply you with your food. They are doing wonderful work. This 'clearing' we send you may or may not be evident to you for a few days, but be patient. We dont have many failures. We send our work to you with much love, Meade, so dont worry how you can repay us. You've already done that."

Mrs. C.P.Upton
Glenwood, New Mexico

This letter was read to Mr. Layne the day it came into the old office there on Adams Ave., in San Diego. Meade's only comment was, "Panaceas for the world's ills have been coming into this office at the rate of two a week for the past thirteen years." I offered the letter to him; he told me to file it. I cant vouch for it as Mr. Layne doesn't encourage questions about his private affairs, but I believe he was going to a regular MD for diagnosis and treatment at that time. I had forgotten about this generous offer of help from the Uptons, and Meade's reaction to it, until I received Max Freedom Long's "Huna Vistas" Bulletin the other day, the November issue, of which the first two pages are devoted to healing techniques.

SOME PREFER SICKNESS TO HEALTH

Mr. Long writes in part, ". . . There are those who do not wish, consciously or subconsciously, to be healed. Some people appear never to grow up. As infants they learned to cry to get what they wanted and to punish a parent for crossing them. The same mechanism, with elaborate variations, is used as years pass but as mental maturity fails to come. These actions may have all the appearance of coming from fixations established in childhood. As old age comes on and the middle self begins to weaken, the low self assumes more and more of the control, and we see even more clearly the 'childish' traits which were never outgrown. The ailing one may not wish to be healed. In fact, he may cling irrationally to his complaints as a means of getting his own way or of punishing those around him for real or imaginary affronts. The kahunas agreed that age made healing harder and harder until, at the end, healing efforts were useless. . . While we cannot tell in advance just what things we may meet in our healing efforts, we should not be discouraged if certain cases show no response. We try, and we learn."

Mr. Long has been a BSR Associate almost from the beginning, and is still as generous with support and encouragement as he was through the years of Meade's directorship. If you wish to receive Max'es bulletin, send a donation to PO Box 875, Vista, California.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Forward, of course, on the same basis and toward the same goals with which Meade Layne, the Inner Circle and Mark Probert began the work in 1946. As was to be expected, a few of the Associates were disturbed by these criticisms of some aspects of the work of our former director. The truth can hurt at times, and you are now feeling some of the painful disillusionment Mrs. Crabb and I suffered last year in the two or three months after we took over. We made our adjustments; I'm sure the rest of the Associates can and will. A few extra donations to the cause have come in; these are greatly appreciated. There have also been quite a few expressions of smypathy for Mr. Layne in his present mental and physical condition; for him to receive these directly I suggest you write to Mrs. Gladys Layne, 3615 Alexia Place, San Diego 16, Calif. I must remind you again that mail sent to the old Adams Avenue address is forwarded to your editor here in Vista, even if it is addressed to Meade Layne! Please remember that I appreciate the pioneering work Mr. Layne has done on behalf of borderland research, and am grateful for the opportunity to carry on where he left off. Please remember also that I idealized him too; but now we know that, in addition to his superlative qualities, he had human shortcomings and failings, even as you and I.

KENNEDY RIDES THE TIDES OF CHANGE

Now that the dust of the Presidential campaign has settled a little your editor finds a most satisfactory appraisal of the result in one of James Reston's pre-election columns, perhaps because he touches on those invisible solar rhythms which effect the life of every race and nation on the planet. This column appeared in the Los Angeles Times for Monday morning, November 7th.

". . . there are the mathematical historians who think the spirit of the people changes almost as regularly as the tides, and that this was the year to swing to the left after the long conservative period that started with the decline of the New Deal spirit late in the 40s. . . this theory of the rhythmic oscillations of American history. . . has been widely publicized by Prof. Arthur Schlesinger. . . and Kennedy was well aware of this doctrine.

"The elder Schlesinger plotted this all out almost a generation ago. First the liberal period from the Stamp Act Congress of 1765 to the Constitutional Convention of 1787, followed by the political domination of the conservative commerical classes until Jefferson's emphasis on popular rights in 1801. So it went, according to this theory, until this century, when Theodore Roosevelt instituted a liberal era that lasted until the middle of Wilson's last term, to be followed by a conservative swing from Harding through Hoover, and then the New and Fair Deals, followed in turn by the Eisenhower victories of 1952 and 1956.

"Right or wrong, Kennedy has based his campaign on the assumption that the period of Eisenhower's consolidation was over, and that the people were ready once more for a new period of innovation. With this in mind he has. . . urged the nation to shake itself loose again and

start forward in another of its periodic bursts of energy. . .

PEAKS AND VALLEYS ARE FLATTENING OUT

"Over the years, the parties have come closer together, so that the 'tides' dont have so far to travel. (This portion of the oscillation theory was born out by the fifty-fifty split of the popular vote for Nixon and Kennedy. In their fascinating book, 'Cycles', Dewey and Dakin pointed out years ago that the American culture had matured and its swings were levelling off from a previous rising curve. Crabb) With each succeeding conservative era, the party of the right does not repeal but merely solidifies the advances of the left. This is what has happened under Eisenhower. What the Republican opposed in the era of Robert Taft, Eisenhower has administered, and despite his age, he could probably have gone on administering it no matter what the wicked historians and columnists said about his shortcomings.

"Nobody knows, of course, but it is something to muse about until the election returns come in."

ANOTHER GENERAL ELECTION VICTORY -- FOR PURE WATER

San Francisco (AP) Nov. 10: "Propositions to fluoridate drinking water at Sacramento and in Marin County were defeated. The vote at Sacramento was 31,868 for and 40,529 against. In Marin County, north of San Francisco, the vote was 21,879 for and 29,133 against."

THE EASTERN TRIP

Without planning it that way Mrs. Crabb and I arrived in Charlottesville, Virginia on theeve of the most important day of the year for that city, the 217th anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birthday! His magnificent home, Monticello, crowns a nearby hill of impressive dimensions. It was April 12, 1960 and at the very moment of our arrival Adlai Stevenson was delivering the Founder's Day address to 3,000 people at the University of Virginia. It was really a political speech in which Stevenson said that the nation needed a change from the "government by concealment" of the Eisenhower administration. The reporter who covered the talk for the Charlottesville paper wrote that "the burden of his message was plainly that the nation needs a space age version of Jefferson." I dont know that president-elect Kennedy is particularly eager or willing to fill the bill, but we do know that vicepresident-elect Johnson has publicly stated his interest in UFOs and has ordered his Senate preparedness sub-committee to keep itself informed of significant sightings. This may indicate a change in the 14-year old Government "silence policy" on Flying Saucers as Kennedy takes us across his New Frontier.

Peggy LeGrand, now Mrs. Harry Baker, gave us a warm welcome the next day as we visited her at the country home where so much of the Astaron material was received and prepared for publication. In her we found that ideal combination of factors which Annie Besant calls "the practical mystic!" Peggy has a long lifetime of worldly experience, travel and work, coupled with over thirty years of study in the Mystery teachings. Thomas Jefferson is one of her ideals, as he is mine,

and so we had a charming and intelligent companion to conduct us with loving care through the domain of Thomas Jefferson. Though his home, Monticello, is nearly two hundred years old it is surprisingly modern in design and feeling. I came to realize how eminently practical was our third president of the United States, when Peggy showed us how Tom had designed and supervised the construction of this truly beautiful place. No less beautiful and even more impressive were the campus and buildings of the University of Virginia, the first truly democratic university in America, offering a liberal curriculum free from religious and political control. Peggy brought that happy spring day to a fitting conclusion by taking us to dinner at famous Thomas Jefferson Inn. There we relived again some of the warmth and hospitality of Colonial days at their best, and toasted old Tom with champagne cocktails.

A NEW AGE DESERT

In spite of the cultural atmosphere of this University town, Charlottesville, Virginia is still in the Bible belt and hoary with a past which takes little or no interest in Flying Saucers and other New Age phenomena. Peggy is in a space-age wasteland there and was starved for the kind of companionship offered only by such borderland characters as Judy and me. So the hours sped by all too soon as the time approached when we must head for Norfolk and the home of Bryant and Helen Reeve at Virginia Beach.

The Reeves have a rather new, California-style home. 590 Abingdon Drive is in a charming tree and grass-green area, all cut up by little bays and reaches of this lowest end of Chesapeak Bay, or more properly Hampton Roads, I suppose. Judy and I had long looked forward to meeting with these BSR Associates. It was an unequaled opportunity to exchange ideas and opinions with a New Age couple who had been actively engaged in the Saucer movement since it began to expand on a national scale with George Adamski's first talks in Detroit in March, 1954, which they helped sponsor. A generous portion of their book, "Flying Saucer Pilgrimage", is devoted to Meade Layne and BSRA, and to Mark Probert and the work of the Inner Circle; needless to say, this has been a great help in extending national recognition to our Association.

PSYCHIC RESEARCH

Our Norfolk Saucer talk wasn't until the following night, April 15, and with an evening free the Reeves suggested attending the seance of a young materializing medium at a spiritualist church in Norfolk. Comparing notes afterward the four of us came to the conclusion that the medium was as phoney as a three dollar bill. We agreed that our loud hymn singing very effectively covered the noise of the medium's quick costume changes for the three "materializations" that boldly parted the curtains of the cabinet, and just as boldly and solidly walked backed behind them again.

Our Saucer talk in Norfolk was a pioneering venture. It was well planned and publicized by a very able young man, 16-year old Larry P. Maccubbin. Like so many scienceminded teenagers of today, Larry abhors metaphysics, and I went along with his request to leave out any metaphysical speculation or analysis in the talk and just stick to sight-

ing data and UFO pictures, of which I had plenty. To give this borderline subject as much respectability as possible, Larry obtained a large hall in the Norfolk Museum of Arts and Sciences. No revenue could be obtained because donations and sale of literature were prohibited, but we did have the largest audience of the trip, about two hundred people.

Pioneering was the word, in that sceptical, Bible-beltatmosphere. I had to break ground all the way, both during the talk and during the question and answer period. The meeting was well worth it, however, if only to help open up the field for Larry and for the Reeves. When we arrived the day before we found Bryant and Helen pretty discouraged by the closed-minded Virginians and as hungry for open-minded New Age conversation as had been Peggy LeGrand up in Charlottesville. The Reeves had already made one or two unsuccessful attempts to gather an understanding group around them in Virginia Beach and may still have to give up there and move to more stimulating surroundings.

THE SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH AND ENLIGHTENMENT

What about Edgar Cayce's Foundation? we asked. This, too, has become conservative under Hugh Lynn's direction, according to Bryant Reeve, and instead of pushing forward in new directions is now content to catalogue the mountain of material left by the founder. There, as elsewhere in the South, visitors from outer space are anathema. Nevertheless, Judy and I did enjoy a brief visit to the headquarters facing the Atlantic ocean as Bryant and Helen showed us around the large building and through Cayce's library. In all fairness to Norfolk I must say that the news media, thanks to Larry Maccubbin's intelligent preparation, were about as objective, interested and friendly toward the Saucer phenomenon as any I've met anywhere, far better than most metropolitan dailies. Like many another region of America, the tri-city area of Norfolk, Hampton and Portsmouth is bursting its bounds physically. With such a potential there perhaps the Reeves can help to break a few mental bounds, for those few who are ready. In any event Judy and I were grateful to have a New Age home there for two days; we're also thankful for the generous, warm-hearted hospitality of two Associates on the eastern seaboard. Here are a few lines from their latest letter.

"We have been in Washington D.C. for almost two months having a veritable ball with new age friends. We findthhis a very cosmopolitan city in great contrast to the backwardness and sleepiness of the South. . . Incidentally, we are sending you under separate cover a copy of Roy Eugene Davis' new book, 'Time, Space and Circumstance', in case you deem it worthy of review for the Associates. . . At an early age Roy left home and actually became a monk under Yogananda, the Hindu yogi of the Swami order who in 1920 came to America and founded his 'Self Realization Fellowship'. When Yogananda passed on this young student left the order only to find himself out of balance with earth life. At this point a fortunate thing happened. He came in contact with some of the great metaphysicians of the day, such as Neville, Lanyon, Goldsmith, who helped in respect to the practical aspects of 3-D life. As a result he now presents a rare blend of the Eastern and Western viewpoints -- woven into a practical philosophy of which he himself is a living example."

Roy Davis' book does show an interesting blend of east and west and we'll try to review it in the January Journal. We also have another interesting blend of eastern and western philosophy on hand, in the modern novel "God's Hitchhiker", by Associate Edmund Kiernan of Dana Point, California. We'll review that, too.

THREE MEN IN BLACK?

We have a brief note from Mary Hyde telling us of the death of Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, author of "The Report On Unidentified Flying Objects". If this is true we'd like to know the circumstances surrounding the passing of this comparatively young man.

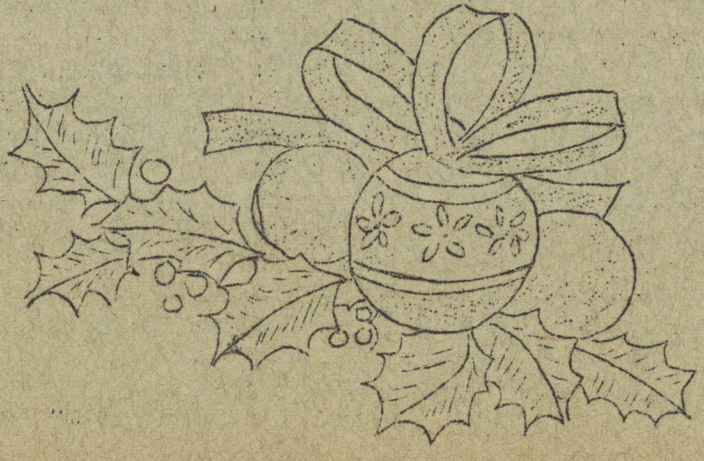
CONVENTION OF BORDERLAND SCIENCES

We met with the board of the Harmony Grove association on Sunday, Nov. 13 and reached an agreement concerning our responsibility in putting on a four-day convention for borderland researchers. This will be held at the Grove, about two or three miles from Escondido, California, July 1, 2, 3 & 4, 1961. This should give us enough time to present lecture-demonstrations in all the borderland sciences: Radiesthesia, Radionics, Dowsing, Psychic Research, Sound & Color Therapy, Photography of the Invisible, Hypnosis, Telepathy, UFOs and Mediumship. There are housekeeping and sleeping cabins at the Grove, facilities for trailers and campers, and overflow accomodations may be had at nearby Escondido motels. We'll keep you informed as the Convention develops.

EARLY SEANCE MEMORANDA

Mrs. Crabb has finally been able to make a re-run of the stencils on the Inner Circle material issued by BSRA as No. 4 and No. 8 of the "Memoranda from the Mark Probert Seances". A good index of subject and page has been added to these thirty-page memoranda from 1947 and 1948. They are now available at fifty cents a copy.

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER LECTURES

Nov. 10, Pasadena; Nov. 18, Laguna Beach, California; Nov. 19, Tucson, Arizona; Nov. 20, 21, Las Cruces, New Mexico; Nov. 23, 25, Houston; Nov. 27, Dallas, Texas; Nov. 29, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Dec. 1, Douglas, Dec. 2, 3, Phoenix, Arizona.

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